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## To Whom It May Concern:

As US citizen, I am outraged at our government's prosecution of Microsoft, and I believe the whole antitrust case should be closed. I don't need a paternalistic government to tell me which software I should buy or to use my tax dollars prosecuting companies whose products I enjoy and find immensely valuable. This is not the proper role of government, and such antitrust actions must, by their nature, ultimately be destructive of consumer choice in the marketplace.

Please accept this letter as one citizen's plea for a government that protects me from force and fraud -- not from valuable products successfully marketed by successful companies.

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